

CLAIM OR CLAIMS

1. An audio-visual educational device comprising:
 - a housing including a plurality of separate viewable indicia each representative of an object which produces an audible sound associated with the corresponding said object;
 - a sound emitting area of said housing in close proximity to each said viewable indicia;
 - an electronic controller operably mounted in said housing for selectively producing and emitting each of said audible sounds one at a time from the corresponding said sound emitting area responsive to manual selection of one said viewable indicia at a time whereby the user receives an audible queue in the form of said audible sound emanating from the selected said sound emitting area to look in the direction of said sound thereby causing an association to be made between the selected said viewable indicia depicting the object and the corresponding said audible sound.
2. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 1, wherein:
 - each said viewable indicia includes a pictorial and a word description of the corresponding said object.
3. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 2, wherein:
 - said housing is generally in a form of a cube, each depressible side surface of which includes one said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.

4. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 2, wherein:
said housing is generally in a form of a keyboard having a plurality of depressible keys each of which includes one of said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.
5. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 2, wherein:
said housing has a generally upright disc shape with said viewable indicia and sound emitting areas arranged in generally radially spaced orientation one to another adjacent a perimeter of said housing.
6. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 5, wherein:
said electronic controller includes an arm pivotally connected to a central transverse axis of said housing and a sound producing device positioned at a distal end of said arm and being operably connected to said electronic controller, said arm being thereby selectively manually rotatable to position said sound producing device in substantial alignment with one of said sound emitting areas corresponding to the selected said viewable indicia.
7. An audio-visual educational device used to teach children to associate a viewable indicia of a sound-producing object with its characteristic audible sound comprising:
a housing including a plurality of separate viewable indicia each representative of said object which produces the audible sound associated with the corresponding said object;

a sound emitting area of said housing and a sound producing device in close proximity to each said viewable indicia;
an electronic controller operably mounted in said housing for selectively producing and emitting each said audible sound from the corresponding said sound producing device and said sound emitting area responsive to manual selection of one said viewable indicia at a time whereby the user receives an audible queue to look in the direction of sound emanating from the selected sound emitting area thereby learning to associate the selected said viewable object with its corresponding said audible sound.

8. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 7, wherein:
each said viewable indicia includes a pictorial and a word description of the corresponding said object.
9. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 8, wherein:
said housing is generally in a form of a cube, each depressible side surface of which includes one said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.
10. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 8, wherein:
said housing is generally in a form of a keyboard having a plurality of depressible keys each of which includes one of said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.

11. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 8, wherein:
said housing has a generally upright disc shape with said viewable indicia
and sound emitting areas arranged in generally radially spaced
orientation one to another adjacent a perimeter of said housing.
12. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 11, wherein:
said electronic controller includes an arm pivotally connected to a central
transverse axis of said housing and a sound producing device
positioned at a distal end of said arm and being operably connected
to said electronic controller, said arm being thereby selectively
manually rotatable to position said sound producing device in
substantial alignment with one of said sound emitting areas
corresponding to the selected said viewable indicia.
13. An audio-visual educational device for teaching a person to associate a
viewable image of an object which produces a known audible sound with the known
audible sound comprising:
a housing including a plurality of separate viewable indicia each
representative of said object which produces the audible sound
associated with the corresponding said object;
a sound emitting area of said housing in close proximity to each of said
objects;
an electronic controller operably mounted in said housing for selectively
producing and emitting or causing to be emitted each of said audible
sounds one at a time from the corresponding said sound emitting

area responsive to manual selection of one said viewable indicia at a time whereby the user receives an audible queue in the form of said audible sound to look in the direction of sound emanating from the selected said sound emitting area thereby associating the selected said viewable object with the corresponding said audible sound.

14. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 13, wherein:
each said viewable indicia includes a pictorial and a word description of the corresponding said object.
15. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 14, wherein:
said housing is generally in a form of a cube, each depressible side surface of which includes one said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.
16. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 14, wherein:
said housing is generally in a form of a keyboard having a plurality of depressible keys each of which includes one of said viewable indicia and one said sound emitting area.
17. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 14, wherein:
said housing has a generally upright disc shape with said viewable indicia and sound emitting areas arranged in generally radially spaced orientation one to another adjacent a perimeter of said housing.
18. An audio-visual educational device as set forth in Claim 17, wherein:
said electronic controller includes an arm pivotally connected to a central transverse axis of said housing and a sound producing device

positioned at a distal end of said arm and being operably connected to said electronic controller, said arm being thereby selectively manually rotatable to position said sound producing device in substantial alignment with one of said sound emitting areas corresponding to the selected said viewable indicia.